

FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

Mr. McGowan:

Pursuant to your oral request, attached is a summary of all reports and Opa-locks debriefing reports, all which have been disseminated to the Intelligence Community, which may be considered as possibly bearing on the newest developments inside Tibet.

Obviously these are not definitive but they are all we have been able to pick up. A continuing watch is being kept on all new reporting and anything significant immediately will be called to your personal attention.

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1. SS-1 "THUNDERBOLT"

reported driver in an early morning...
Marianao, Habana, on 12 September 62, a...
voy of 20 Soviet-driven trucks...
feet long trailers, ...
Upon arrival at Ciudad Libertad, the...
ing the convoy was waved off and the...
tion. Trailers were loaded with...
large missiles which extended over the...
was, over what appeared to be a...
silhouette of what source believed were...
ing edge of the missile. The...
silhouette, which resembled a SAM-2...

The SS-1 "THUNDERBOLT" is a...
vertically launched, liquid propellant...
missile with a range of 700 to 700...

2. In March 1962 two...
observed at the military...
Province. Uncovered rockets were...
where canvas covers had been rolled up and...
at the side of the rockets. (Field...
the above rocket in a technical manual as a...
fying the identification by saying that...
mounted on a tracked amphibious carrier...
have the bulbous tip shown in the...
rounded configuration of a (5. cal...
5 October 62).

TFW/Intel R/Com: The FROG (F...
unguided IRID air...
chassis, sometimes...
SURFACE missile "SCUD", which is...
chassis. The FROG has a range of 10,000...

3. At 1100 hours 9 August 62...
numerous Soviet vehicles between...
Las Villas Province, proceeding northwest...
The vehicles in the convoy consisted of 10...
trucks and Low-Boy type trailers,...
porting JS model tanks, and "tank-like"...
mobility with long canvas-covered...
on top of tank frame, possibly...
chassis modified for transport of...
MISSILES, or Bridge-laying purposes."...
were apparently young Soviet tyres.

A canvas-covered tank chassis...
approximately the same configuration for a...
Rocket, or SS-1 "SCUD" Surface-to-Surface...
stage, solid propellant, mounted on the...
JS tank series. The "THUNDERBOLT" has a...
miles; the nearest JS...
is the...

4. Two flat bed trailers were going to get a rocket to transport a 1,000 mile range rocket. The vehicle was in Santiago de Cuba (no date given) in the direction of Juan Soriano, Oriente Province. (OO-K-3/118,331, 30 July 1961)

5. On 4 or 5 July 1961 an untested rocket was being served a cleared area approximately 30 miles from the Pinar del Rio Province. Along side of the launchers and girders, was on the flatbed of a trailer truck, the object was attached to the trailer truck. The object was attached to a heavy chain which was attached to a mounted crane parked nearby. The object appeared to be a launcher of some type, and was approximately 10 feet long and 13-15" wide, and was on the flatbed of a trailer truck. (OO-K-3/118,331, 31 August 1961)

In August 1961 an untested rocket was being served a rocket-launching site and a large tunnel on the ranch of Dr. Jose "El" in one of three high hills in the immediate area. (OO-K-3,193,588, 18 August 1962)

6. On 13 September 1962, a rocket was being served a large Intercontinental Rocket, over 20 feet long, was loaded from the ship. (OO-K-3/118,331, 14 September 1962) that a rocket observed SA-2 missiles.

7. At 0700 hours 18 Sept 1962, a train of 10 cars, 17 September 1962, train stopped at the (Oriente) railroad station. On each car was transporting equipment "which looked like" equipment which might have been big rockets. The equipment were described as "about 25 to 30 feet long, 3 1/2 feet in diameter." The missiles were 30 feet long, each car was carrying two of these missiles. There was no way to determine the destination of the train. On 17 or 18 September two farmers were overheard to talk in Spanish about a rocket base being constructed at the ranch of Niquero. Source also mentioned that the SS-4, which appeared in the Army Tech manual. Source said, in essence, "the rocket they saw was similar to the SS-4, however, was only about 25 to 30 feet long and had a much blunter nose section."

The SS-4 "SAM-2" is a single stage, vertically launched, liquid propellant, ballistic missile similar in many ways to the SS-4 "SAM-2" with a range of 500 to 700 nautical miles.)

8. According to The Cuban Report, 1961, the Revolutionary Directorate, 23 Sept. 1961, "The principal Soviet strongholds in Matanzas Province, the Yumuri Valley, about 1 mile from the center of Matanzas Province, and about 5 miles west of the City of Matanzas, construction was begun about a year ago and a half. One of these tunnels can be found and is approximately 7 feet wide and 8 or 10 feet in height. Their construction is such that they are ballistic missiles of great destructive power..." (INBM) of great destructive power..."

9. Soviet Bloc personnel were reported working in the highlands of Palenque, between Finca Arrechevala and Paso del Medio, and in the upper slopes of Cerro de la Cruz, south of Paso del Medio and south of Carral Nuevo, in Matanzas Province. (CS-3/491,937, 3 November 61).

10. Arms storage facilities in Matanzas Province include Quinta Arrechavaleta, in La Cumbre (CS-3/491,937, 3 November 61), the Figueras finca, in the Yumuri Valley (CS-3/480,839, 17 July 61.) (CS-3/480,839, 17 July 61.)

11. A missile base was reported recently (July 24/61) in the southeast of Caraballo, between the railroad from Caraballo to Bainoa, and the road from Caraballo to ~~Matanzas~~ Matanzas Province. (CS 3/49-,216, 31 October 61).

12. Approximately 300 meters west of the Cárdenas highland, the "Manolo Laureiro" Mines have been converted into missile pits dug, a tunnel constructed, and a concrete roof erected over the excavation, subsequently covered with dirt and brush. (CS 3/484,775, 25 August 61).

13. In the now inactive MARCOT Mines (Finca de la Cruz) the tunnels have been enlarged and reinforced with concrete. These tunnels have been ventilated with modern equipment and have an independent electrical plant. (The Cuban Report, supra).

14. There is a missile base in Camaguey, Matanzas Province, covering Winal. (The Cuban Report, ibid).

15. There is a missile base on the Escorial farm, on the road leading from the sugar mill Tab. del Escorial (Central) to the city of Trinidad, south-central Matanzas Province. It is geographically on the nearest road, a direct distance from Cuba to the Paraná Canal. (The Cuban Report, ibid).